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Worship Service

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Order of Worship

Sunday, November 13th, 2022 11:00 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

God speaks in the silence of the heart. Listening is the beginning of prayer. --**Mother Teresa**

Just as our love for God begins with listening to God's Word, the beginning of love for other Christians is learning to listen to them. --**Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

If we really want to pray we must first learn to listen, for in the silence of the heart God speaks.—**T.S. Eliot**

I found I had less and less to say, until finally, I became silent, and began to listen. I discovered in the silence, the voice of God. — **Soren Kierkegaard**

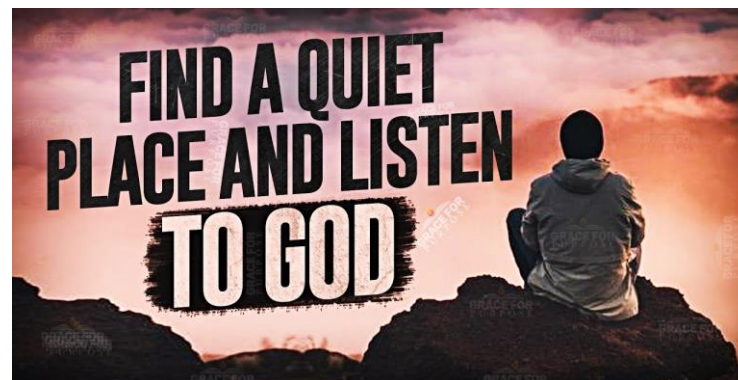
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Praising God

Prelude

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

Annie S. Hawks / Robert Lowry



Words of Welcome

Acknowledging the Territory

Call to Worship

As we gather let us open our eyes, ears, minds and hearts to the sights and sounds around and within us.

Let us seek to tune into what is important for our lives as God's children.

Together let us listen closely so we will recognize God's voice guiding us on our journey.

Let us worship and praise God.

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Opening Prayer (together)

God of opportunity, we are grateful for this day to worship and praise You. Ready our lives to hear Your voice in our hearts and in the world around us. Enable us to respond with an open mind, so that we can draw closer to You and to each other. Guide us in our prayers as we seek to love one another. Amen.

Hymn (374) "Come and Find the Quiet Centre"
vs. 1, 2, 3

- 1 Come and find the quiet centre
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.
- 2 Silence is a friend who claims us,
cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,
knows our being, face to face,
making space within our thinking,
lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking,
finding scope for faith begun.
- 3 In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:

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there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!

Prayer for Grace (together)

Inspiring God, You continually surprise us with new challenges and new ways of listening for You. Sometimes we would rather follow our own direction rather than being open to hearing new ways of being Your people. We ignore Your voice and do what we want. Help us to open ourselves and bring Your life-giving Spirit alive within and around us this day. Amen

Sung Assurance (400) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

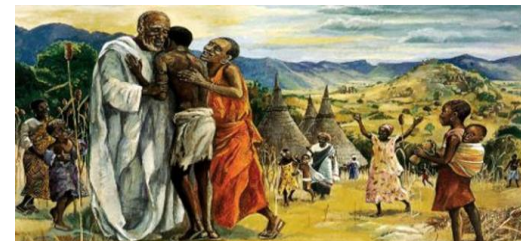
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!

Repeat once

Listening for God's Word

Epistle Reading Revelation 21:1-6 C. MacLean
(I saw a new heaven and new earth.)

Gospel Reading John 13:31-35 C. MacLean
(A new Commandment: love one another)



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Solo “Open My Eyes That I May See” Clara Scott
P. Tibbles Cookson, mezzo soprano

Sermon “Listening from the Heart” Rev. Cooper

Hymn (278) “In the Quiet Curve of Evening”
vs. 1, 2, 3

- 1 In the quiet curve of evening,
in the sinking of the days,
in the silky void of darkness, you are there.
In the lapses of my breathing,
in the space between my ways,
in the crater carved by sadness,
you are there.
You are there, you are there, you are there.
- 2 In the rests between the phrases,
in the cracks between the stars,
in the gaps between the meaning,
you are there.
In the melting down of endings,
in the cooling of the sun,
in the solstice of the winter, you are there.
You are there, you are there, you are there.
- 3 In the mystery of my hungers,
in the silence of my rooms,
in the cloud of my unknowing, you are there.
In the empty cave of grieving,
in the desert of my dreams,
in the tunnel of my sorrow, you are there.
You are there, you are there, you are there.

Responding to God

Prayers of the People

Rev. Cooper

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The Lord’s Prayer (unison)

**Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day, our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory.
For ever and ever. Amen.**

Hymn (644) “I Was There to Hear” vs. 1-7

- 1 I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold.
- 2 I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off
to find where demons dwell.
- 3 When you heard the wonder of the word,
I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living Lord,
to whom you now belong.
- 4 If you find someone to share your time
and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme
from dusk till rising sun.

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- 5 In the middle ages of your life,
not too old, no longer young.
I'll be there to guide you through the night,
complete what I've begun.
- 6 When the evening gently closes in
and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been
with just one more surprise.
- 7 I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold.

Commissioning and Benediction

God is your shade at your right hand;
The sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.
God will watch over your life;
God will watch over your coming and going
both now and forever more. (Psalm 121:5-8)
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of God's hand.
(Irish blessing)

Choral Amen (MV 216) "Wherever You May Go"
Refrain: written by David Kai

**Wherever You may go, I will follow,
And Your people shall be my people too.
Wherever You may go, I will follow,
For I would be faithful, loyal and true.**

Say the word and I will stay,
I will never go away,

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We will travel side by side
And God's love will be our guide. **(refrain)**

Postlude "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
J.M. Scriven/Charles C. Converse

Thank you for joining our Zoom audio and video
worship service today. We hope you found the
worship service a meaningful experience.

Many thanks to J. Brooker, R. Bloor and B. Kai for
coordinating our Zoom audio and video service.
Thanks to C. MacLean for reading our
scripture readings. Thanks to K. Quinton, L. Lazar,
and P. Tibbles Cookson for inspiring us with their
music.

Today, Sunday, November 13th, Worship Service on
Zoom audio and video. **Please note:** We are **not**
having an in-person service this month.

Sunday, November 20th, We will have a short
worship service followed by a congregational session
to discuss our future.

Sunday, November 27th, Advent I, the **candle of
Hope** will be lit. We will have a guest speaker from
Massey Centre. (Sponsored by our Community and
Global Team)

Sunday, December 4th, Advent II, the **candle of
Peace** will be lit. We will also celebrate the
Sacrament of Holy Communion. We invite you,

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when you join the service, to have ready a piece of bread or cracker and a beverage, and together we will share the Lord's Supper.

Japanese Social Services Holiday Drive. If you would like to support the Holiday Drive, please send a donation to Japanese Social Services (Holiday Drive), 6 Garamond Ct #235, North York, ON M3C 1Z5. For online donation please visit their website jss.ca/en/news/holidaydrive2022. Thank you.

Prayers and Concerns: Please remember in your prayers all those in need of hope, comfort and healing.

BUC Prayer Group: These individuals offer confidential prayer support to anyone who is in need of God's healing love, support and compassion in their lives. Prayers may be for a relative, a close friend or yourself. Please email Rev. Cooper or call R. Shikaze with your prayer request.

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Have a blessed day!!